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## ANNUAL REPORT

### UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES, 1954-55

To the Vice-President of the University:

I have the honor to submit herewith the report of the University Libraries for 1954-55.

It is an old and probably a wholesome habit for educational institutions to compare themselves with one another and to measure their achievements and daily performance against standards which have been set up by professional groups. Unfortunately, many of these standards are based on an ill-conceived set of values and also may be used indiscriminately by libraries without regard to their local situation and needs. However, when a library deviates substantially from minimum standards set up for other libraries in its class, it is time to take stock and either to applaud or deplore (and take action).

The Board on Personnel Administration of the American Library Association has long been concerned with the problem of standards. Five years ago it issued a "Library Score Card" of which part III was applicable to university libraries. Certain percentage values are assigned to each aspect of a library's operations, and each library may rate itself individually against the standard. In many respects this document is deficient and is already antiquated. This is particularly true of the section on library collections. However, the sections on staff and services and physical plant are well worth reviewing in the light of two of our most urgent needs at the University of Kentucky. Everyone recognizes that a library cannot operate without books, but deficiencies in staff and building often need special emphasis.

In general we find that the basic problem with regard to staff in the University of Kentucky Libraries is the matter of the salary scale. In spite of the facts that the qualifications and performance of our staff are of a superior order and that the staff as a whole compares favorably in general effectiveness to the library staffs of our great neighbors across the river, our score is low primarily because of depressed salary conditions. Certain other deficiencies, notably the lack of a recognized classification plan and salary schedule commensurate with the academic rank enjoyed by the members of the professional staff, contribute to a low score. On the credit side, however, working conditions, notably hours, vacations, leaves, and retirement plans, appear quite favorable in the light of minimum standards.



Certain aspects of our services are also deficient. While cataloging procedures and catalogs would pass any test of excellence, our score does not come up to standard on account of the deplorable situation under which there is so little coordination with the Agricultural Experiment Station Library. Another aspect of our services which could bear improvement is the matter of instruction in the use of library. It is not certain that all the intimations on the "Library Score Card" are practical in our situation, but we could surely do much better. On the other hand, instruction of undergraduates as well as graduates in the use of the library is a matter that requires intense interest by the teaching faculty and close cooperation between the library staff and the teaching faculty. This situation should be given earnest consideration in the immediate future.

Our building, barely a quarter of a century old, does not show up at all well on the "Library Score Card"; and yet this is the one section of this document that is perhaps least antiquated. We are sadly deficient in stack capacity, layout, reading room and stack facilities, furniture and equipment, and heating, lighting, ventilating, and sound conditioning. In not one of these aspects of our building do we come up to the minimum standards. On the other hand, each could be corrected by extensive remodeling when and if an addition to the building is available.

Least satisfactory of all are most of our department and collegiate collections. The Agricultural Experiment Station Library requires nothing short of a new building. The Law Library is desperately crowded. The Education Library should be in the Taylor Building or one adjacent to it rather than three long flights upstairs. We will be fortunate if fire does not destroy Kastle and Pence Halls before the proposed Chemistry-Physics Building can be completed. Geology is in an ancient, highly combustible structure, and is crowded to the absolute limit for shelf space. Biologicâl Sciences and Engineering need to have greater space for books and readers alike. We can only hope for the day to come soon when the entire College of Pharmacy will be moved to a new building in Lexington with adequate space for the college library. Even the handsome new Art and Music Library is already beginning to be crowded in the section allocated to Art, and we must soon begin to think of some new arrangements. The general deficiency in stack capacity is most keenly obvious in the Annex, where we should begin immediately to complete the shelving and occupy the space lent temporarily to the ROTC in order to take care of our overflow. Thus our score on building facilities is even lower than the checking of the formal document would make it appear.



We must set up certain objectives for the immediate future in order to bring the University of Kentucky Libraries up to par with regard to the salary scale and physical facilities. First and foremost is the recognition and actual implementation of a satisfactory classification and pay plan. Not only do we need an addition to the King Library, but we also need to give immediate attention to the problems of departmental and collegiate collections, above all to Agriculture. And we can never forget that the ultimate objective of a library is building collections. Small increases have been granted in the book fund for the past two years, indeed, unusually generous increases in view of the fact that the University's total income was virtually stationary. Somewhere in the enormous complex of the University someone has found a way to save enough to help us somewhat. But we need much more, at least \$200,000 a year for books, binding, and periodicals, the minimum on which a university with our pretensions can operate. It costs as much to supply library materials for twenty graduate students in a given department here as it costs to supply the hundred or more at the University of Michigan or Illinois, simply because both groups must use the same books.

The urgency of increased book funds is underscored by the rapidly rising costs of new and antiquarian books and serials. A single example is Chemical Abstracts, which was available only a few years ago for fifteen dollars a year. According to Chemical and Engineering News for 18 April 1955 it is possible that libraries may be charged as much as \$100 a set, a heavy burden on a library system such as ours which must subscribe to four copies. The American Chemical Society, by the way, is under the mistaken impression that libraries can afford to pay more for serials than others and therefore charge discriminatory prices. The same iniquitous policy is followed by certain other journals, some of which are actually published by sister universities. For example, we may cite the Journal of Organic Chemistry (Members, \$12.50, vs. \$25 for libraries), Journal of Rational Mechanics (\$6 vs. \$18), Proceedings of the Institute of Radio Engineers (\$9 vs. \$18), Audio Engineering Society Journal (free to members vs. \$8), American Chemical Society Journal (\$13 vs. \$30), and Journal of Physical Chemistry (\$8 vs. \$15). Apparently these scientific societies are completely unaware that the funds available to libraries have not risen in proportion to subscription charges. On the basis of a detailed study of the problem extending back over a quarter of a century, Charles H. Brown, former librarian of Iowa State College and chairman of the Serials Committee of the Association of Research Libraries made the following statement in a formal report presented 3 July 1955:



The budgets of libraries have not been increased in most institutions as much as the production costs of books and periodicals. These increased costs are caused largely by the great increase in wages paid to printers and binders. The publishers are as helpless as are librarians in their attempts to limit the continuing increases in publication costs. The labor costs are still rising.

Libraries cannot continue to perform the services they have performed in the past and bear the brunt of these discriminatory prices. On the other hand, there is little that we can do about them other than to protest.

Much more serious are the implications of Tables I and II copied from Mr. Brown's report. The great bulk of our journals in all fields is constantly increasing their subscription costs. Research libraries cannot exist as such without substantial files of journals and serials. In 1948/49 we had \$100,747.50 for books binding and periodicals; in 1954/55 we had \$117,567.99. However, the initial appropriation for last year was only \$92,000, and the other \$23,567.99 came from a large non-recurring special grant, gifts, funds of other colleges, and miscellaneous sources such as fines. In other words, the cost of a representative group of domestic serials has gone up 38.8 per cent, and the cost of a representative group of foreign serials 31 per cent in six and five years respectively, while our initial appropriations for books have actually gone down by about eight per cent during roughly the same period.

In the midst of grave problems of the salary scale and book funds it is hardly appropriate to speak of the need for additional personnel, and yet the addition of several more staff members seems more and more urgent as problems of library service multiply. Any extra funds for personal services which are available should go into staff salaries, but as soon as these needs are met we must consider the addition of a serials cataloger, a rare book cataloger, a typist to handle their card work, a manuscript cataloger, a general assistant in reference to handle the pyramiding public service problems at this desk, and an administrative assistant for the director's office. In the latter connection it should be pointed out that the director's office has been operated with the absolute minimum of administrative costs during the last seven years. There is no assistant director of libraries at the University of Kentucky simply because his salary would have to be taken from the salaries of other staff members or from the book fund. We cannot afford an assistant director until we are much more prosperous, and, indeed, we cannot afford an administrative assistant until we are more prosperous. The compiler of this report can only hope for more prosperity to justify an administrative assistant to perform numerous minor but essential tasks of the director's office, and ideally this job should be assigned to a young man who can grow into an assistant director when much more prosperity comes our way.



Table I

COMPARISON OF PRICES PAID IN 1949, 1950, and 1955  
FOR THIRTY-SEVEN AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC PERIODICALS,  
SELECTED SOMEWHAT AT RANDOM

NAME	1949	1950	1955
American Jr. of Botany	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Amer. Jr. of Mathematics	7.50	7.50	8.50
Amer. Jr. of Physiol.	30.00	30.00	30.00
Amer. Jr. of Science	8.00	8.00	8.00
Amer. Mathematical Monthly	5.00	5.00	5.00
Amer. Naturalist	6.00	6.00	7.00
Amer. Vet. Med. Assoc. Jr.	7.00	7.50	10.00
Archives of Internal Med.	5.00	8.00	10.00
Astrophysical Jr.	10.80	10.80	10.80
Botanical Gazette	7.20	7.20	7.20
Biological Abstracts	30.00	40.00	50.00
Chemical Abstracts	15.00	20.00	60.00
Chemical Reviews	9.00	9.00	12.00
Duke Mathematical Jr.	4.00	4.00	7.50
Ecology	5.00	7.50	7.50
Economic Geology	5.00	5.00	6.50
Franklin Institute Jr.	8.00	8.00	10.00
Genetics	6.00	6.00	8.00
Jr. of Applied Physics	9.00	9.00	12.00
Jr. of Bacteriology	10.00	12.00	14.00
Jr. of Biological Chemistry	22.50	27.00	36.00
Jr. of Chemical Physics	12.00	12.00	15.00
Jr. of Experimental Med.	10.00	15.00	15.00
Jr. of Cellular and Comparative Physiol.	10.00	15.00	15.00
Jr. of General Physiol.	10.00	15.00	15.00
Jr. of Geology	5.40	5.40	6.30
Jr. of Heredity	5.00	5.00	7.00
Jr. of Infectious Diseases	6.00	6.00	7.00
Jr. of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics	18.00	18.00	18.00
Jr. of Physical Chemistry	10.00	10.00	10.00
Optical Soc. of America Jr.	7.00	8.50	8.50
Phytopathology	7.50	7.50	10.00
Plant Physiol.	10.00	10.00	12.00
Rev. of Scien. Instruments	7.00	8.00	8.00
Reviews of Modern Physics	4.00	4.00	4.00
Science	7.50	7.50	7.50
Soil Science	10.00	10.00	10.00
TOTAL	\$359.40	\$404.40	\$498.30

NOTES

1. Increase in prices of American periodicals in 1955 over 1949 was 38.8%
2. Increase in prices of the same periodicals in 1955 over 1950 was 23.3%
3. The increase in prices in 1949 over 1938 was 15%.



Table II

COMPARISON OF PRICES PAID BY ONE LIBRARY IN 1949, 1950, AND 1954  
FOR THIRTY OF SPRINGER'S SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

NAME	1949	1950	1954
Arbeitsphysiologie*	\$ 4.75	\$12.15	\$12.05
Archiv für Elektrotechnik	19.50	20.40	9.88
Archiv für Mikrobiologie	29.21	29.21	34.28
Der Bauingenieur	11.38	9.40	8.57
Berichte über die gesamte Biologie.Abt.A	60.15	53.10	113.26
Berichte über die gesamte Biologie.Abt.B	71.10	71.10	136.62
Biochemische Zeitschrift	17.70	17.70	16.70
Ingenieur - Archiv	27.20	27.20	14.83
Klinische Wochenschrift	13.90	13.90	14.28
Mathematische Annalen	31.60	26.85	41.13
Mathematische Zeitschrift	29.25	35.15	45.70
Die Naturwissenschaften	7.90	12.00	14.28
Naunyn-Schmiedebergs Archiv für experimentelle Path. und Pharmakologie	70.00	100.00	72.58
Pflüger's Archiv für die gesamte Physiologie des Menschen und der Tiere	34.15	31.10	46.79
Planta	23.85	32.55	52.36
Roux' Archiv für Entwicklungs- mechanik der Organismen		27.35	33.30
Virchow's Archiv für path. Anatomie und Physiol. und für klinische Medizin	45.25	45.25	39.80
Zeitschrift für analytische Chemie	25.64	25.64	55.20
Zeitschrift für Anatomie und Entwicklungsgeschichte	39.90	39.90	46.70
Zeitschrift für Astrophysik	24.83	24.83	32.36
Zeitschrift für die gesamte experimentelle Medizin		36.50	64.69
Zeitschrift für Hygiene und Infektionskrankheiten	36.00	36.00	63.28
Zeitschrift für klinische Medizin	38.85	38.85	34.13
Zeitschrift für Lebensmittel- Untersuchung und-Forschung	35.55	50.00	45.70
Zeitschrift für menschliche Vererbungs- und Konstitutionslehre	17.50	17.50	24.90
Zeitschrift für Parasitenkunde	13.60	13.60	24.95
Zeitschrift für Physik	29.17	29.17	51.81
Zeitschrift für vergleichende Physiologie	35.00	41.35	46.55
Zentralblatt für Mathematik und ihre Grenzgebiete	52.80	52.80	64.72
Der Züchter	12.60	10.42	9.53
TOTAL	\$858.00	\$981.00	\$1,270.93

\*Title changed to Internationale Zeitschrift für angewandte Physiologie.

NOTES

1. Increase in prices in 1954 over 1949 was 31 per cent.
2. Increase in prices in 1954 over 1950 was 29.5 per cent.
3. The prices of German serials were less in 1949 & 1950 than in 1938 & 1939.



There have been many bright spots during the year. Most encouraging of all has been the fine response of our friends to the organization of the University of Kentucky Library Associates. Our membership is now nearing the 200 mark, and there is every reason to believe that we can double it within the next few years. More important gifts than ever have been pouring in, partially as a result of the enthusiasm of the Associates. A significant program of publication of Keepsakes by the Associates is underway, and the annual banquet is becoming a bookish affair of considerable significance for the entire Ohio Valley book world. It would seem that private friends of the library are more enthusiastic supporters of our objectives than those who are responsible for financing the Commonwealth's official institutions.

Our friends throughout the campus have made life much easier, individually and collectively. Without the invaluable cooperation of the Division of Maintenance and Operations in keeping our physical facilities together with sweat and baling wire, library service would have faltered many times. The cooperation of the Purchasing Office, the Stenographic Bureau, and other divisions of the Comptroller's Office has been more than comforting. The Library Committee, the personnel of the Bureau of Source Materials in Higher Education, the Librarian Emerita, and the Vice President have played as significant a role in our work as they have in the past years. The University of Kentucky Libraries are richer in friends than in the goods of this world.

### Public Services

The use of the libraries is on the upswing, both in the Margaret I. King Library and in departmental and collegiate libraries, insofar as use can be properly measured in a university library. The need for the new Education Library and the effective service by the librarian are reflected in the double use of this collection. At the same time, however, all of the other department collections showed increased use, the result of the same factors.

The relatively low recorded circulation in the University of Kentucky Libraries is the result of an unusually liberal policy of permitting access to the shelves. Thus in a typical week in the autumn (14-20 November 1954) 3,459 students used the Reserve Book Room (233 more than in the same week in 1953), and in a typical week in the spring (13-19 March 1955) 4,123 students used this room (554 more than in the same week in 1954). None of this use is reflected in recorded statistics. The increasing number of general periodicals on the open shelves in the lobby, the growing browsing room collection, and, most



important, perhaps, the more liberal policy of allowing undergraduates use of the bookstacks are important elements in holding down the recorded use of our collections. It would be gratifying to be able to throw open the entire building to all comers, with supervision by exit control only; and the resultant drop in recorded use of the collections would be totally incidental to the other benefits that would be gained thereby.

The renewal of the trend upward in circulation of books is best recorded in the following comparative table of recorded use of books in the Margaret I. King Library:

	<u>1950-51</u>	<u>1951-52</u>	<u>1952-53</u>	<u>1953-54</u>	<u>1954-55</u>
Student and non-student circulation at Loan Desk	89,869	100,233	84,953	86,603	87,732
Faculty circulation at Loan Desk	9,135	9,176	8,776	8,067	9,328
Reserve Room overnight circulation	21,321	21,887	21,947	14,679	14,807
Total loans of Circulation Department	120,325	131,296	115,676	109,349	111,867

The constant shifting which is necessary in the Circulation Department, the departmental and collegiate collections, and the Department of Archives and Special Collections illustrates graphically the uneconomical aspects of delaying the construction of an addition to the King Library. Last year Circulation shifted 77,253 volumes in the King Library and moved 2,209 volumes to the Annex. A substantial cut in funds for student help in this department could be effected if so much shifting were not necessary.

The spatial problem, to which reference has already been made, is a serious hindrance to effective public service. A related problem is that of heating, ventilating, and lighting. If the main bookstack, to mention only one critical area, were properly ventilated in the summer and properly heated in the winter, there would be a perceptible increase in the use of the collections. Of the departmental and collegiate libraries only the air-conditioned Law Library is a satisfactory working area in the summer. It is likely the extremely heavy use of electricity needed to run nearly a hundred fans in the libraries from May into October would approximate quite closely the cost of operating air-conditioning equipment. Another serious problem of physical facilities which holds back effective public service is the lack of equipment or the necessity of buying used equipment from the Surplus Property Division. If the map collection in the Geology Library, for example, were properly housed in good cases, it would undoubtedly receive much heavier use.



The Reference Department has, in some respects, had the most difficult time of any of the public service departments during the year. It was the only department in the library in which the head was compelled to train an entirely new staff for 1954/55. In spite of this handicap, the Reference Department has handled an increasing volume of reference questions and continued to make the collections more meaningful to the academic community.

### Technical Services

The high productivity of the Catalog Department during the past year has been a matter of pride for the entire library. The ability to handle efficiently the large volume of new acquisitions has been a factor of great importance in maintaining high standards of service. This record is even more remarkable in the light of the largest turnover in this department in recent years -- three members of the non-professional staff and two members of the professional staff.

An important activity of the Catalog Department has been to review the large numbers of duplicates of Kentucky documents (session laws, legislative journals, and collected documents), to check our holdings against them (in many instances quite complicated due to the vagaries of document publication), and to prepare a new and revised checklist showing the library's holdings and supplementing Hasse and other earlier lists.

A signal achievement of the Acquisitions Department has been the cleaning out of some tens of thousands of duplicates that have accumulated over the years. No less than two full truckloads of duplicates were sent to Washington, either for trans-shipment to foreign libraries through the Smithsonian Institution or for the U.S. Book Exchange. At the close of the year Room 23, where the duplicate collections are kept, was in better order than at any time in the last seven years.

Despite a relatively short tenure of one state documents librarian and the appointment of a new person to this position who had not had previous experience with it, the document collection is approaching a new standard of orderliness after the difficult move to the Annex. The collections of session laws have been increased substantially as a result of gifts from the Midwest Interlibrary Center.

### Archives and Special Collections

The large volume of interesting material that is added annually to the manuscript and rare book collections is too



voluminous to describe in detail. Perhaps the most important activity during the year has been the work of the manuscript collector, Dr. Bennett Wall. In order to indicate clearly the value of his work this year, the list of material that he secured for the library during the year will be listed at the end of this section. The administrative arrangements under which Dr. Wall conducts his work still need further definition and clarification, but this circumstance detracts in no way from the value of his work. In spite of the handicaps that are always attendant upon new projects, Dr. Bull and Dr. Wall have succeeded in establishing a close and cordial cooperation, and problems that exist are external rather than internal. Much credit also belongs to Dr. T.D. Clark, who has worked tirelessly for a quarter of a century to have the position of manuscript collector established for this library.

An important achievement during the year has been the final inventorying of the records of the Court of Appeals. It was found that no less than 3,184 cases were missing from the 69,000 cases delivered to us by the Court, and the Court has been notified of this fact. Other projects during the year includes a list of our manuscript holdings for the handbook of manuscript collections being compiled by the National Archives, the consolidation of our indexes to Kentucky biographical encyclopaedias (now recording sketches of some 13,000 Kentuckians), and eight exhibits arranged by the associate archivist.

Seventeen Kentucky authors have contributed their manuscripts during the year, and comprehensive collections of the papers of A.B. Guthrie, Jr., the late Felix Holt, and Harriette Arnow have been acquired. Substantial additions have been made to the graphic arts collection, with noteworthy gifts from Mrs. Albert Russel of Cincinnati, Mr. C.H. Griffith of New York, Mr. Rudolph Ruzicka, and Mr. Norman Strouse of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Among the many gifts of Hugh Peal of New York, a collection of the writings of H.M. Tomlinson, a leaf from the Audubon elephant folio, and a Roger Payne binding deserve special mention. Cassius M. Clay of Bourbon County has presented a significant collection of his father's papers. Other collections of significance will be noted in the material brought in by Dr. Wall.

The increased volume of manuscripts being brought in by Dr. Wall underscores the need for a manuscript cataloger. In order to maintain the best standards of public service in the Department of Archives and Special Collections it would be desirable for the Archivist and her Associate to be freed from many of the details of processing material.

The following list of material brought in by Dr. Wall last year is only a suggestion of the tremendous amount of work he accomplished. Contacts made this year and followed up over a period of time can ultimately yield far more material of great value. To be fully effective the same manuscript collector must be on the job constantly for at least a decade.



MATERIAL GIVEN TO UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY BROUGHT IN BY DR. WALL

Hallam family.

Papers consisting of letters, legal documents and music. Being held until cleared.

Altsheler, Mrs. Joseph

Unpublished manuscript of Joseph Altsheler on the Black Patch war.

Balke, Mrs. R.H.

Dicken-Troutman papers.

Barton, E.E.

Newspapers from Falmouth. More material is to come.

Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. R.O.

Hickman courier, 1868-1926. Some of the early years are badly marred by insects but on the whole it is a very good file.

Lassiter, Mrs. Mary Moore.

Calloway county newspapers. Several issues.

Lowry, Mrs. B.H.

One newspaper.

Mackoy family.

Papers, 1795-1943. 23 v. 2,454 pieces.

Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Pryor.

Papers of Mr. Perry's father and grandfather. Four manuscript boxes. They deal with business and agriculture and include material on the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

Webb, M.L.

Church letters, 1810-54. 38 pieces. From vicinity of Pikeville.

Yarberry, Mrs. M. Ray.

Papers of M. Ray Yarberry. These papers concern Yarberry's career as a special agent of the Justice Department.



MATERIAL BROUGHT IN BY DR. WALL TO BE FILMED, PHOTOSTATED OR COPIED.

Amberg, Judge W.B.

Account book and papers relating to a case involving payment for damaged sugar. Ledger, 1834-68; Papers, 1871-73.

Beard, Mrs. Eugenia.

Papers, 1856-1910. Civil war letters, material on Eminence college and Shelbyville female college. ca. 50 ft.

Blakeley, Stephen.

Papers, 1900. Photographs of Kentucky militia during Goebel crisis. 3ft.

Brock, Miss Zell.

Letters, scrapbooks, clippings. Concern New Liberty community. 10 ft.

Carter, Lillard H.

Scrapbook. This scrapbook is composed of items concerning politics in Kentucky and the Goebel strife. 15 ft.

Coffman, Mrs. W.P.

Papers and letters, 1787-97. Glasgow newspapers, 1821-1952. 67 issues. Arranged for filming.

Coldman, Elizabeth Berkeley.

Autograph book of military prisoners at Johnson's Island to be filmed.

Cornelison family.

Papers, 1868-1940. Bills and receipts from pottery in Estill county.

Dale, Mrs. William Stone.

Three Civil war letters copied.

Demaree, John O.

Papers, 1874-1906. Letters and reminiscences of Shelby and Henry counties. ca. 15 ft.

Dupoyster, Mrs. Bernice.

Account books, 1865-66; 1867-75; 1880-81. 3 v.

Earle, E.

Letter of January 2, 1853. Photostated.

Ferguson, Bruce.

Scrapbook, 1900. Goebel affair. 15 ft.

Filbeck, Mrs. Clyde.

Murray newspapers, several issues to be filmed.



Fisher, Mrs. W.R.

Records, 1797-1884. Record book of Port William trustees, 1797-1819; Ledger, 1856-84; Scrapbook dealing with events in Carroll county, Ky. 3 v. 30 ft.

Gaines, Mrs. Frank.

Scrapbooks (4) to be filmed. Family history and history of community of New Liberty, Ky. Memoirs of the lower Ohio valley ... 2 v.

Gayle, Mrs. June.

Speech to be filmed. Jefferson's inaugural printed on silk, photostated. Scrapbook. Deals with the Congressional career of June Gayle. 8 ft.

Glasgow times, 1899. 1 reel. Mrs. W.P. Coffman, Glasgow, Ky.

Goebel family.

Papers, 1880-1942. 2 reels.

Green, Dr. and Mrs. Norvin.

Scrapbooks, diaries and letters and clippings. This was quite a large collection. Includes material on the establishment of the Western Union Telegraph Co.; letters exchanged between members of the Green family traveling in Europe, etc. Another group of material concerns Drennon Springs in Henry county.

Haley, Percy.

Scrapbook. Relates to Democratic party politics and Louisville flood 1937. 15 ft.

Harlan, John Marshall.

Papers, 1847-1912. 10 reels. Dr. Wall made the arrangements necessary with Univ. of Louisville.

Jeffries, Dr. L.C.

Diaries and letters. 32 v. 1856-91; letters 1848-1889. Mrs. W.K. Prewitt, Mt. Sterling, lent these materials for filming.

Jones, John W.

Diaries, 1857-89. 4 reels. These diaries deal largely with agricultural matters.

Keyes, Ben.

Papers. 8 photostats made.

Lebanon enterprise. 1898-1938 (very scattered) 2 reels.

Courtesy of Paul Crowdus.

Montgomery, Curtis.

Catalog of Ghent college, Ghent, Ky. Photostated.

Mt. Vernon Signal.

To be filmed when file is more complete.



Polsgrove, James.

Scrapbook, 1894-1942. Politics in Kentucky. 25 ft. of film.

Prewitt, John.

Scrapbook, newspapers and note book. To be filmed.

Rhea, Albert G.

Scrapbook. Material deals with politics in Ky. 10 ft.

Shakers, South Union..Ky..

Journal, September 1, 1906 - May, 1909. 35 ft.

Stone, Capt. W.J.

Papers, 1864-1923. Several letters written during last year of Civil war, a sketch of Stone's life and information about his work as commissioner of Confederate pensions in Kentucky.

Tarvin, A.H.

Scrapbook, 1920-1937. Political campaign of Richard P. Ernst and on the theater in Louisville. 25 ft.

Wilson, Mrs. Juno.

Newspapers. 2 Murray newspapers.

Wilson, Tipton.

Bible with pages concerning Johnson's island prison to be photostated.

Woodward, Augustus.

Diary, 1856. Copied from type-script lent by Lon Barton of Mayfield. 5 ft.

Yancey, Mrs. Eva.

Scrapbooks and clippings. History of Owenton. 10 ft.



### Staff Activities\*

The following members of the staff attended the Kentucky Library Association meeting in Louisville in October 1954; Elizabeth Clotfelter, Mary Voorhes, Emilie V. Smith, Bessie Boughton, Elizabeth Hanson (in charge of exhibits at the meeting), Martha Jane Livesay, Norma Cass, Jewell Rau, Artie Lee Taylor, Jacqueline Bull, Frances Dugan, Margaret Tuttle, Mildred Moore, and Lawrence S. Thompson.

Miss Hanson, Miss Bull and Miss Tuttle attended the biennial meeting of the Southeastern Library Association in Atlanta in September/October 1954. Miss Nooe, Mrs. Stutsman, Miss Irvine, and Miss Billie Jean Moore attended the meeting of the Kentucky Education Association in Louisville in April 1955. Miss Cass, Miss Livesay and Mr. Thompson attended the midwinter meeting of the American Library Association in Chicago. Miss Bull attended the annual conference of the American Library Association in Minneapolis. Miss Nooe, Mrs. Stutsman, Miss Smith, and Mrs. Voorhes attended the annual meeting of the Ohio Valley Regional Group of Catalogers at Bloomington, Indiana, in April 1955. A large number of members of the library staff attended the meeting of the Special Libraries Section of the Kentucky Library Association in Lexington on 2 May 1955.

Miss Emilie V. Smith served on the nominating committee of the Ohio Valley Regional Group of Catalogers and as a member of the Division of Cataloging and Classification's Committee on Membership, and she was appointed visiting lecturer at the University of Illinois Library School during the summer of 1955. Mrs. Stutsman served as Kentucky representative of the Division of Cataloging and Classification's Committee on Membership. Mrs. Rau was secretary of the Special Libraries Section of the Kentucky Library Association. Miss Livesay was editor of the KLA Bulletin, Miss Smith assistant editor. Miss Livesay served on the Kentucky Library Association's Committee on the quinquennial bibliography of Kentucky dissertations. Miss Mildred Moore was chairman of the College and Reference Section of the Kentucky Library Association for 1954-55. Miss Hanson, Miss Livesay, and Miss Mildred Moore have attended meetings of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Library Association during the year.

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\* Publications will be omitted, since they are listed in detail in the annual bibliography of faculty publications compiled and published by the library.



Miss Artie Lee Taylor gave three book reviews to various clubs in Lexington. Miss Mildred Moore, Miss Bull, and Mrs. Dugan have visited numerous libraries in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, and the Pacific Coast. Miss Bull read a paper entitled "Bibliographical Control of State Historical Materials" at the meeting of the Southeastern Library Association. Mrs. Dugan served on the Lexington School Board, and she made a talk during the year to a P.T.A. group on the subject of comic books for children.

Mr. Thompson served on the boards of directors of the Kentucky Library Association and the Association of College and Reference Libraries, on the American Library Association's International Relations Board, and the Publications Committee of the Association of College and Reference Libraries. He continued to serve as secretary-treasurer of the Southern Humanities Conference and editor of the ACRL Microcard Series. He is a member of the editorial boards of College and Research Libraries, Books Abroad, Biblos (Vienna), the Kentucky Foreign Language Quarterly, and the South Atlantic Bulletin. He addressed six civic clubs and made one radio talk during the year, and he spoke to the Kentucky Press Association at Cumberland Falls in June 1955.

## Personnel

Resignations during the year were:

Bailey, Nella	Cataloger	September 1954
Ball, Lillian	Assistant Serials Librarian	September 1954
Bell, Marilyn	Assistant Acquisitions Dept.	May 1955
Bizzoni, Maria	Assistant Acquisitions Dept.	August 1954
Boyd, Alma Louise	Typist	May 1955
Britton, Marjorie	Assistant Reference Dept.	July 1954
Bulmash, Ilse	Assistant Reference Dept.	August 1954
Carroll, Ingrid	Assistant Circulation Dept.	September 1954
Evans, Mary Louise	Education Librarian	September 1954
Geralds, Barbara	Cataloger	May 1955
Hatton, Sue	Assistant Acquisition Dept.	November 1954
McCann, Phyllis	Typist	January 1955
McDowell, Margaret	Assistant Acquisitions Dept.	July 1954
Matchett, Louise Hill	Typist	January 1955
Mazur, Marjorie Akers	Cataloger	December 1954
Scudder, Mary	Cataloger	September 1954
Whalen, Barbara	Assistant Serials Librarian	January 1955
White, Pauline	Typist	June 1955
Wiley, Shirley	Typist	September 1954
Williams, Lilly	Art & Music Librarian	September 1954
Wright, Bertha	Typist	September 1954
Yancey, Dorothy	Assistant Acquisitions Dept.	September 1954



Appointments during the year were:

Adams, Willie Hughes	Typist	November 1954
Ayer, Carol	Art and Music Librarian	September 1954
Bailey, Nella	Cataloger	June 1954
Bates, Loraine	Typist	January 1955
Bechanan, Gordon	Assistant to Director	September 1954
Bizzoni, Maria	Assistant Acquisition Dept.	August 1954
Boyd, Alice	Cataloger	February 1955
Boyd, Alma Louise	Typist	July 1954
Boyd, Shirley	Typist	June 1955
Collins, Virginia Roberson	Acting Law Librarian	September 1954
Dean, Jane Tate	Typist	September 1954
Florence, Joyce	Typist	June 1955
Geralds, Barbara	Cataloger	February 1955
Gibson, Bonnie	Assistant Acquisition Dept.	June 1955
Gibson, Norma Jean	Education Librarian	September 1954
Hall, Ann B.	Cataloger	September 1954
Hall, Edward Lee	Assistant Circulation Dept.	February 1955
Jackson, Juanita	Assistant Reference Dept.	September 1954
Kerr, Harriet	Typist	July 1954
McCann, Phyllis	Typist	October 1954
Rogers, Thelma	Assistant Circulation Dept.	September 1954
Troutman, Merle	Assistant Acquisition Dept.	September 1954
Voorhes, Mary	Cataloger	January 1955
Walser, Jean	Typist	July 1954
Whalen, Barbara	Assistant Serials Librarian	September 1954
White, Pauline	Typist	March 1955
Wiley, Shirley	Typist	July 1954

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Libraries



STATISTICAL SUPPLEMENT

1. Circulation:

General Loan Desk:		
Students and non-members of University	87,732	
Faculty	<u>9,328</u>	
	Total	97,060
Department and Collegiate Libraries (1)		
Art and Music Library	3,445	
Biological Sciences Library	3,396	
Education Library	2,187	
Engineering Library	2,838	
Geology Library	1,511	
Library Science	5,762	
Pharmacy Library	1,237	
University School Library	<u>10,592</u>	
	Total	30,968
Overnight Use:		
Reserve Book Room (2)	14,807	
Departmental and Collegiate Libraries(1)		
Art and Music	676	
Biological Sciences Library	522	
Education Library	1,891	
Engineering Library	221	
Geology Library	408	
Pharmacy Library	265	
University School Library	<u>103</u>	
	Total	19,393
Material used in Department of Archives and Special Collections		3,026
Volumes sent on inter-library loan		<u>611</u>
TOTAL CIRCULATION		151,058

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- (1) Law is non-circulating; Northern Kentucky Extension Center circulated 895 books for home use.
- (2) No true record of the use of the Reserved Book Room is available, since all shelves are open to readers.



Borrowed on inter-library loan:

Books	515	
Films borrowed or purchased in lieu of borrowing originals	<u>75</u>	
Total		590

Borrowers:

General Library		
Student borrowers	4,693	
Non-student (alumni, townspeople, citizens within commuting distance)	401	
Faculty borrowers	378	
College of the Bible borrowers	36	
Law Library	200	
University School	400	
Pharmacy	143 (3)	
Art and Music, Biological Sciences, Education, Engineering and Geology		
Students	2,017	
Faculty	<u>300</u>	
Total		8,568

Number of volumes on reserve:

Reserved Book Reading Room	8,572	
Departmental and Collegiate Libs.:		
Art and Music	819	
Biological Sciences	480	
Education	565	
Engineering	165	
Geology	140	
Pharmacy	<u>97</u>	
Total		10,838

Attendance in Art and Music, Biological Sciences, Education, Engineering, and Geology Libraries	103,512
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(3) Includes sixteen alumni of the College of Pharmacy.



2. Acquisitions (cataloged or otherwise indexed and available for use):

New volumes cataloged for all libraries except Experiment Station Library	27,435
Volumes cataloged for Experiment Station Library	598
United States documents (bound) (4)	362
State documents (bound) (5)	2,132
Volumes added by Archives	91
Books added to Bureau of Source Materials in Higher Education	31
Bay Collection	736
Bound volumes of newspapers	85
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Total additions	31,470

Books reported 1 July 53	650,740
Withdrawals	461 (6)

Number of volumes in University Libraries, 1 July 1955	681,749
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Other materials added:

United States documents on microcard (AEC)	2,388
United States documents (unbound)	16,919
State documents	6,889
Geological and engineering maps	2,337

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- (4) Received bound or added by binding.
- (5) Or works of 100 pages or more which are in final form for the shelves.
- (6) Superseded editions and unneeded multiple copies were withdrawn on advice of appropriate faculty members and library staff members, and with the permission of the Board of Trustees. Worn out books which are withdrawn are replaced with new copies if circulation records justify replacement.



Miscellaneous pamphlets:

Reference Department, Engineering Library and Geology Library	1,077	
Scores (Music Library)	75	
Pieces of manuscript handled by Archives (7)	8,134	
Trade publications (Engineering Library)	435	
College and University catalogs received (8)	851	
Items added to Post Card Collection		6,698
Total Items in Post Card Collection		65,808
Newspapers currently received		
Subscriptions	14	
Donations	146	
		160

Unclassified periodicals currently received:

Gen.Lib. & Dept. Coll.	Coll. of Pharmacy	Expt. Sta. Library	Univ. School	Law Library	Totals
Subscriptions	1,859 44	220	55	39	2,217
Gifts & Exchange	889 85	153	2	128	1,257
Gov't Doc.	25				25
	2,773 129	373	57	167	3,499

3. Binding:

Binding - General Library	3,166	
Binding - Departmental and collegiate Libraries	1,230	
Total		4,396

- (7) Does not include microfilm. Includes 115 collections and 91 volumes.  
 (8) Latest issues only retained.

4. Cards Filed:

	<u>Lib. of Congress</u>	<u>Typed</u>	<u>Shelf List</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Library	32,414	17,002	17,813	67,229
Departmental & Collegiate Libraries	7,442	2,160	3,161	12,763
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Totals	39,856	19,162	20,974	79,992
Cards prepared in Archives Department				<u>1,032</u>
Total Cards Filed				81,024

5. Personnel (9):

Regular staff (full-time equivalent):		
Professional	24	
Non-Professional	27	
Regular Staff, Experiment Station Library	2	
Regular Staff, University School Library	<u>1</u>	54

6. Seating capacity of Lexington Libraries:

General Library:		
First Floor	322	
Second Floor	177	
Third Floor	70	
Fourth Floor	82	
Stacks	<u>104</u>	755
Department Libraries		276
Experiment Station Library, Law Library, and University School Library		<u>161</u>
	Total	1,192
<u>Seating capacity of Pharmacy Library</u>		28

- (9) Inasmuch as services rendered by student assistants are most accurately reflected in total expenditures for this aspect of personal services (see Section 8 of this statistical supplement, infra), the total numbers of student assistants will be dropped from this and subsequent annual reports. The manuscript collector, the personnel of the Bureau of Source Materials in Higher Education, and departmental secretaries with part-time duties of supervising departmental collections are not included in this count.



7. Acquisitions:

Statistics: July 1, 1954 - June 20, 1955; a record of processed material acquired by purchases, gift and exchange.

I. Purchases

A. Books (including those on microcard and microfilm)	5,986 titles	8,548 pieces
B. Serials and sets (including those on microfilm and microcard)	<u>529 new titles</u>	<u>10,125 pieces</u>
Total	7,666 titles	18,673 pieces

II. Gifts and Exchanges (See also below)

A. Books	4,347 titles	5,146 pieces
B. Pamphlets	887 titles	887 pieces
C. Serials and Sets	<u>368 new titles</u>	<u>6,849 pieces</u>
	5,602 titles	12,882 pieces

III. Total processed acquisitions    14,268 titles    31,555 pieces

Gift and Exchange Division

Apart from the processed material, the statistics noted below further illustrate the work of the Gift and Exchange Division:

- (1) Two exchange lists were compiled and 1,273 pieces were sent out in response to requests; 64 shipments (pieces uncounted) were sent to the USBE and 97 shipments went abroad direct from the library; over 4,300 pieces were received, acknowledged, and sorted.
- (2) Sixteen mailing lists are now maintained for University of Kentucky exchange publications; over 7,183 pieces were sent out from the library this year.



1954-55 Book Fund Allocations

\$75,000 (exclusive of \$11,000 for Law and \$16,000 for Binding)

<u>Department</u>	<u>Books</u>	<u>Serials</u>	<u>Total</u>
Agriculture	\$600.00	\$30.00	\$630.00
Anatomy & Physiology	350.00	30.00	380.00
Ancient Language	500.00	30.00	530.00
Anthropology	260.00	80.00	340.00
Archives	1,400.00		1,400.00
Art	700.00	60.00	760.00
Bacteriology	450.00	150.00	600.00
Botany	270.00	60.00	330.00
Chemistry	1,040.00	450.00	1,490.00
Commerce	720.00	250.00	970.00
Education	900.00	75.00	975.00
Engineering	1,160.00	465.00	1,625.00
English	3,360.00	250.00	3,610.00
Geography	150.00	25.00	175.00
Geology	320.00	800.00	1,120.00
German	750.00	50.00	800.00
History	1,160.00	100.00	1,260.00
Hygiene	90.00	20.00	110.00
Journalism	180.00	25.00	205.00
Library Science	500.00	75.00	575.00
Mathematics	400.00	75.00	475.00
Military Science	-----	30.00	30.00
Music	500.00	50.00	550.00
Northern Ky. Extension Center	600.00	20.00	620.00
Periodicals	-----	-----	16,000.00
Pharmacy	800.00	75.00	875.00
Philosophy	700.00	75.00	775.00
Physical Education	500.00	25.00	525.00
Physics	500.00	100.00	600.00
Political Science	600.00	125.00	725.00
Psychology	360.00	75.00	435.00
Radio Arts	150.00	-----	150.00
Romance Languages	750.00	100.00	850.00
Social Work	180.00	25.00	205.00
Sociology	600.00	100.00	700.00
Special	-----	-----	17,000.00
Zoology	350.00	100.00	450.00
General	15,210.00	5,970.00	16,180.00
		Total	\$75,000.00

In addition the following income was available for purchase of books: gifts, \$2,148.90; Hammer Fund, \$1,640.00; Fines, \$1,084.56; Patterson, \$400.00. Total, \$5,273.46.



# 8. Expenditures

	General Li- brary (10)	Expt. Station Library	Univ. School Library	Expenditures for Library Materials from University Fund	Bureau of Source Materials in Higher Educa- tion	Totals
Salaries						
Staff	\$145,326.00(11)	\$5,088.00	\$4,100.00		\$4,870.00	\$159,384.00(12)
Student	14,309.39	101.59			713.46	15,124.44(12)
Books	79,273.46	1,006.60	527.72	\$307.87		81,115.65(13)
Periodicals	16,000.00	2,412.54	175.00			18,587.54(13)
Binding	16,000.00	1,725.80	139.00			17,864.80(13)
New Equipment, supplies and Miscellaneous						
	8,500.00	252.04			142.05	8,894.09
TOTAL	\$279,408.85	\$10,586.57	\$4,941.72	\$307.87	\$5,725.51	\$300,970.52

(10) Includes funds appropriated for general and law libraries, gifts, fines and endowment (Patterson), and ex-  
penditures made from college funds for books cataloged for library collections.

(11) Includes salary of manuscript collector, carried on History Department budget.

(12) Total for personal services is \$174,508.44.

(13) Total for books, periodicals, and binding is \$117,567.99 (books and periodicals, \$99,703.19).

